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22645-7013

First named inventor: Robert J. Fretz et al.

Application No.: 09/341,994

Art Unit: 2643

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Examiner: Dabney, Phylesha Larvinia

Title: Behind the Ear Hearing Aid System

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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee

☐ Small entity-fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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2. Reply and/or fee

A reply in the form of a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) is enclosed herewith. An
Office Action has not yet been received although the Notice of Abandonment dated February 22, 2002 states
that an Office Action was mailed on June 19, 2001. This application was transferred to my firm around the end
of May 2001, and thus just prior to the mailing date of the Office Action in question. We filed a Revocation and
Appointment of New Power of Attorney along with a Change of Address on November 16, 2001, copies of
which were faxed to Examiner Dabney on February 7, 2002 in response to her call regarding the application's
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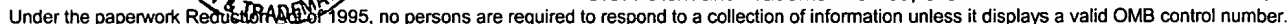
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